teachers with graduation and diploma qualification had been recruited in various States. In the State of Madhya Pradsh teachers recruited on a regular basis have the requisite qualifications.

(e) No State-wise allocation of funds is made. Funds are being released as per requirements of the States for implementation of the programme. During 1997-98 no funds were released to the State of Madhya Prade.

(f) As per sample study conducted by the Operations Research Group in the State of Madhya Pradesh 5.3% of the passouts were employed, 7.8% self-employed and 46.9% were pursuing higher studies.

Rights for Children in India

726. SHRI AKHILESH DAS :
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA :
SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR :

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether, as reported in the Times of India of August 12, 1998, a report on the Rights for children in India has claimed that despite increased world-focus on the rights of children, certain area like child abuse, drug abuse and the increasing number of child workers and prostitutes have not been acknowledged by Government for comprehensive national surveys;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the figures showing cases of child abuse and the number of child workers, especially child prostitutes, during 1996-97, 1997-98 and 1998-99, as per Government's records?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) and (b) : The Time's of India report dated 12.8.1998 is based on the "The Alternative report, India" on the Convention on the Rights of the Child by "Butterflies", a Non-Governmental Organization. However, at Central level on these issues comprehensive data is available from the National Crime Records Bureau, (Ministry of Home Affairs), 1991 Census data, Women in India' A Statistical Profile 1997 (Department of Women & Child Development) etc.

(c) Figures showing cases of :

**(i) Child Abuse* (Cases relating to rape below 16 years, infanticide, foeticide, abetment and suicide, exposure and abandonment and kidnapping & abduction)

1996—5372

1997—5600

1998—1022 (Upto September, 1998. Figures of victims of child rape not shown)

**(ii) Child Prostitutes*

There are no reliable statistics available about the number of child victims of child prostitution. However, the number of cases of buying/selling of girls for prostitution are as under :

1996—28

1997—22

1998—19

*SOURCE : (National Crime Records Bureau, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India)

***(iiii) Child Workers*

The total number of child workers as per 1991 census is 11.28 million.

**SOURCE : (Ministry of Labour, Government of India.)

Primary teachers in Delhi region

727. SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL VAHADANE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the primary teachers presently in position and their vacancies, alongwith their sanctioned strength in various Kendriya Vidyalayas of Delhi region, the details thereof Vidyalaya-wise;

(b) whether promotion cases of some primary teachers of Delhi region could not be considered for want of Annual Confidential Reports; and

(c) if so, by when these cases would be disposed off?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) A statement is enclosed. (*See* below)